10 Easy Steps to do a Home Fire Drill



Step 1:

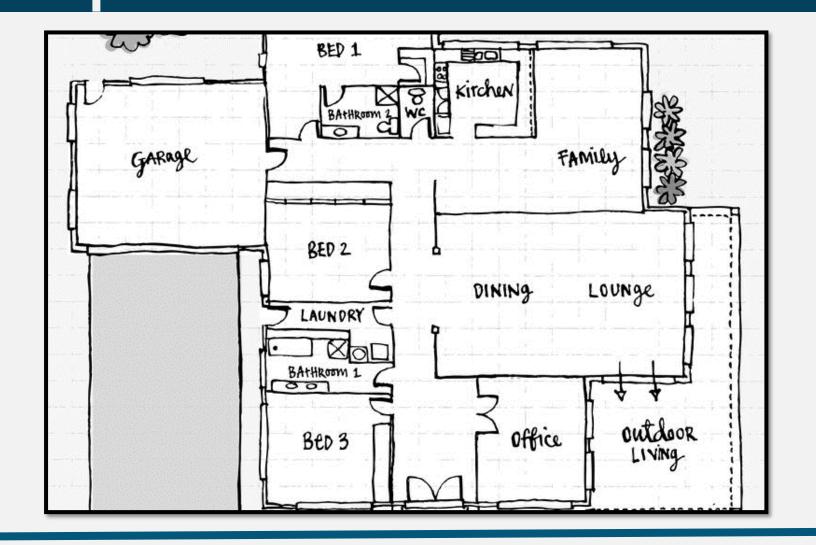
Group meeting with everyone in the household



Everyone should meet to <u>discuss and practice</u> your plan. If only one person knows the plan, <u>no one else will know what to do!</u>

Step 2:

Draw a basic outline of your home



Show all doors and windows on the map.

Step 3:

Visit each room and find TWO ways out



Be sure each door and window opens easily and can be used to escape if needed. Mark each exit on your map.

Step 4:

Check all smoke alarms by pushing "test" button



Replace batteries when needed. Be sure everyone is familiar with the smoke alarm sounds and knows what to do when they hear it.

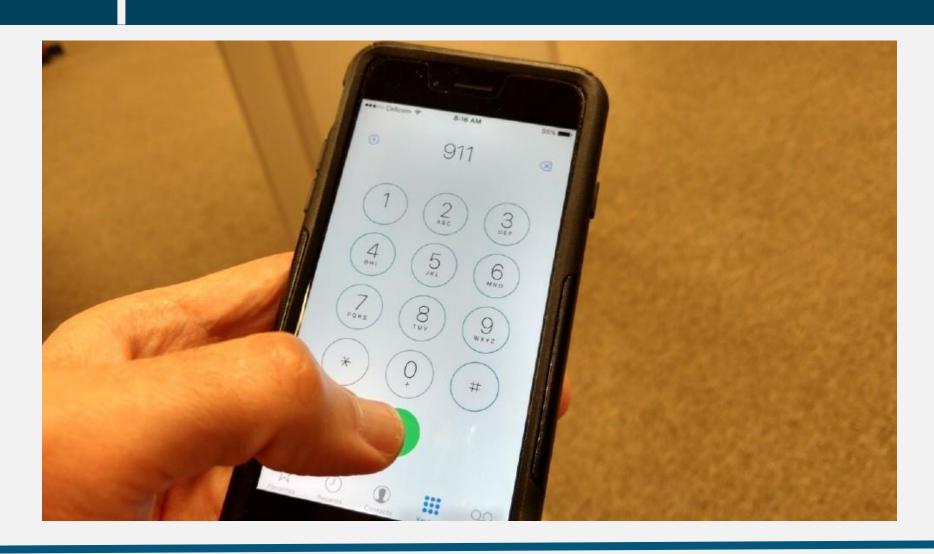
Step 5:

Agree on a meeting place outside



This should be <u>away from the home</u>, but something stationary such as a mailbox, tree, neighbors home, etc. Mark on your plan.

Step 6: Know how to call 911



Make sure that everyone has memorized your address and phone number. Only call 911 from a safe location.

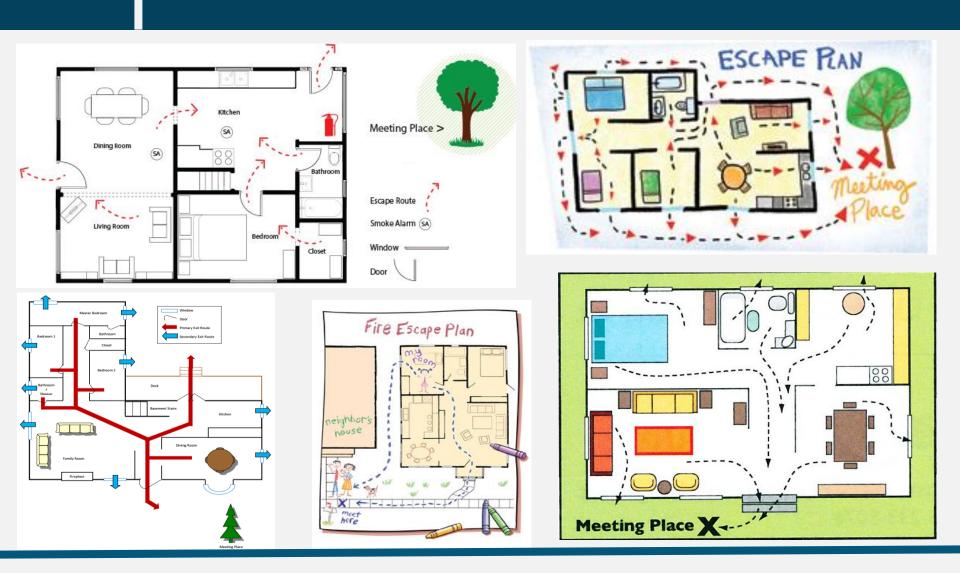
Step 7: Make a plan for family members who need help



Make plans for any infants, older adults, or family members with mobility or cognitive limitations.

Step 8:

Final fire escape plan



Make it your own and familiarize everyone with all exits.

Step 9: Put your plan to the test



<u>Practice</u> at various times in the day and night to make it as realistic as possible. Practice twice a year.

Step 10:

Don't forget: if the smoke alarm sounds...



Get out and stay out. Never go back inside for anything. If you have to escape through smoke, get low and crawl.

Enter:

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Post a picture of your family at your meeting place, add #citywidefiredrill and you will be entered to win!